#### **CITY OF SAN ANTONIO**

# **Board of Adjustment Regular Meeting Agenda**

Cliff Morton Development and Business Services Center 1901 South Alamo Street Board Room, First Floor

#### Monday, November 19, 2007 1:00 PM

#### **BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MEMBERS**

Vacant – District 1

Paul Klein – District 6

Edward Hardemon – District 2

Mary Rogers – District 7

Helen Dutmer – District 3

Andrew Ozuna - District 8

Gerald Yarborough - District 4

Michael Gallagher – District 10

George Alejos – District 5

Gene Camargo – District Mayor

Mike Villyard – District 9

Chairman

Maria Cruz

Michael Dean

Mimi Moffat

Henry Rodriguez

Rollette Schreckenghost Pete Vallone

- 1. 1:00 PM Public Hearing Call to Order.
- 2. Roll Call.
- 3. Pledges of Allegiance.
- 4. **A-07-097PP:** The request of Herminia Pachecano, for 1) a 30-foot variance from the Unified Development Code requirement that, within the Beacon Hill Neighborhood Conservation District, carports shall be located a minimum of 5 feet behind the primary residence's front façade, in order to keep an existing carport that extends 25 feet in front of the primary residence's front façade, and 2) a complete variance from the Unified Development Code requirement that a minimum 5-foot side setback be maintained in "R-6" zoning districts, in order to keep the same carport on the side property line, 1133 West Woodlawn Avenue.
- 5. A-08-006: The request of the City of San Antonio, for a 13-foot, 5-inch variance from the Unified Development Code requirement that a maximum 20-foot front setback be maintained in the "D" Downtown zoning district, in order to build a structure 33 feet, 5 inches from the front property line, 106 West Market Street.

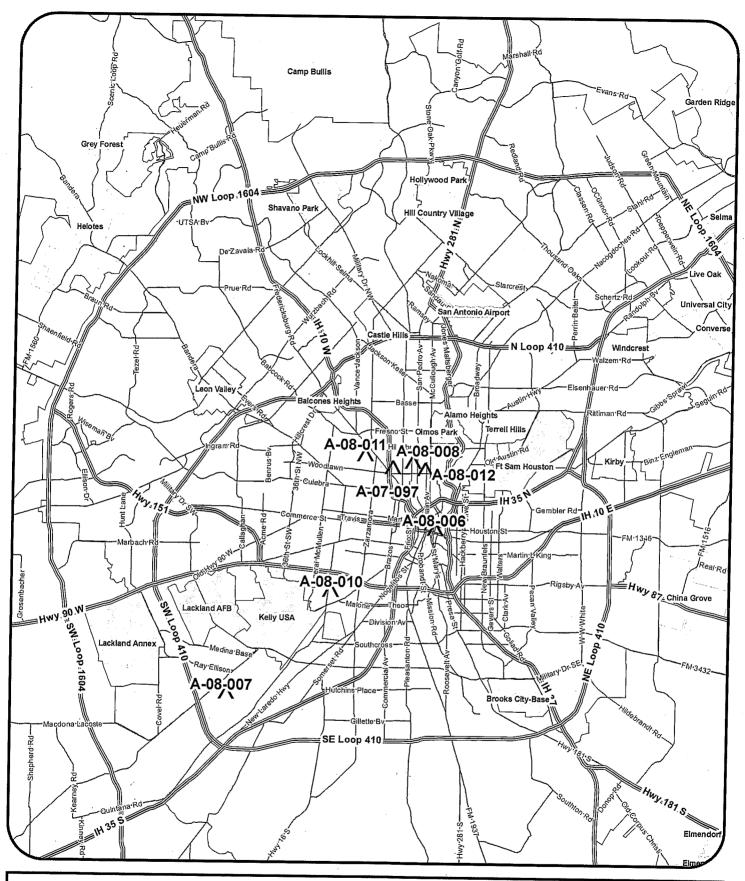
- 6. A-08-007: The request of Joaquin Garcia, for 1) a 2-foot variance from the Unified Development Code requirement that solid screen fences in front yards be no taller than 3 feet in order to keep a 5-foot tall solid screen fence in the front yard, 2) a 1-foot, 6-inch variance from the Unified Development Code requirement that predominantly open fences in front yards be no taller than 4 feet in order to keep a 5-foot, 6-inch tall predominantly open fence in the front yard, 3) a 2-foot variance from the Unified Development Code requirement that clear vision areas be free of visual obstructions which are higher than three feet above the pavement, in order to allow a 5-foot tall solid screen fence to encroach into the Unified Development Code requirement that clear vision areas be free of visual obstructions which are higher that three feet above the pavement, in order to allow a 5-foot, 6-inch tall predominantly open fence to encroach into the clear vision area of abutting driveways in the front yard, 5538 Red Sky Drive.
- 7. A-08-008: The request of Elva Arteaga, for a 2:12 minimum roof pitch variance from the Unified Development Code requirement that, within the Alta Vista Neighborhood Conservation District, a roof with a five inch rise for every horizontal foot be required (5:12 minimum), in order to keep a roof pitch at 3:12 to 4:12 minimum for every horizontal foot, 519 West Huisache Avenue.
- 8. **A-08-010:** The request of Ray C. and Joann Almaguer, for a 16-foot variance from the Unified Development Code requirement that a minimum 20-foot front setback be maintained for front entry carports, in order to keep an existing carport 4 feet from the front property line, 222 West Emerson Avenue.
- 9. **A-08-011:** The request of Mark and Marie Cooper, for 1) a 130 square-foot variance from the Unified Development Code requirement that accessory detached dwelling units be no larger than 800 square feet, in order to build a 930 square-foot accessory detached dwelling unit, and 2) a 23% building footprint variance from the Unified Development Code requirement that the building footprint of an accessory detached dwelling unit be no larger than 40% of the principal building footprint, in order to build an accessory detached dwelling unit with a building footprint that would be 63% of the building footprint of the principal residence, 1940 West Summit Avenue.
- 10. **A-08-012:** The request of Gregory Alba, for a complete variance from the Unified Development Code requirement that a minimum 30-foot rear setback be maintained in "C-2" zoning districts when abutting residential uses or residential zoning districts, in order to build a structure on the rear property line, 117 West Craig Place.
- 11. Consideration and approval of the 2008 Board of Adjustment meeting calendar.
- 12. Consideration and approval of the minutes from the regular meetings on October 2, 2006 and November 5, 2007.
- 13. Staff Report.
- 14. Executive Session: consultation on attorney-client matters (real estate, litigation, personnel and security matters) as well as any of the above agenda items may be discussed.

#### 15. Adjournment

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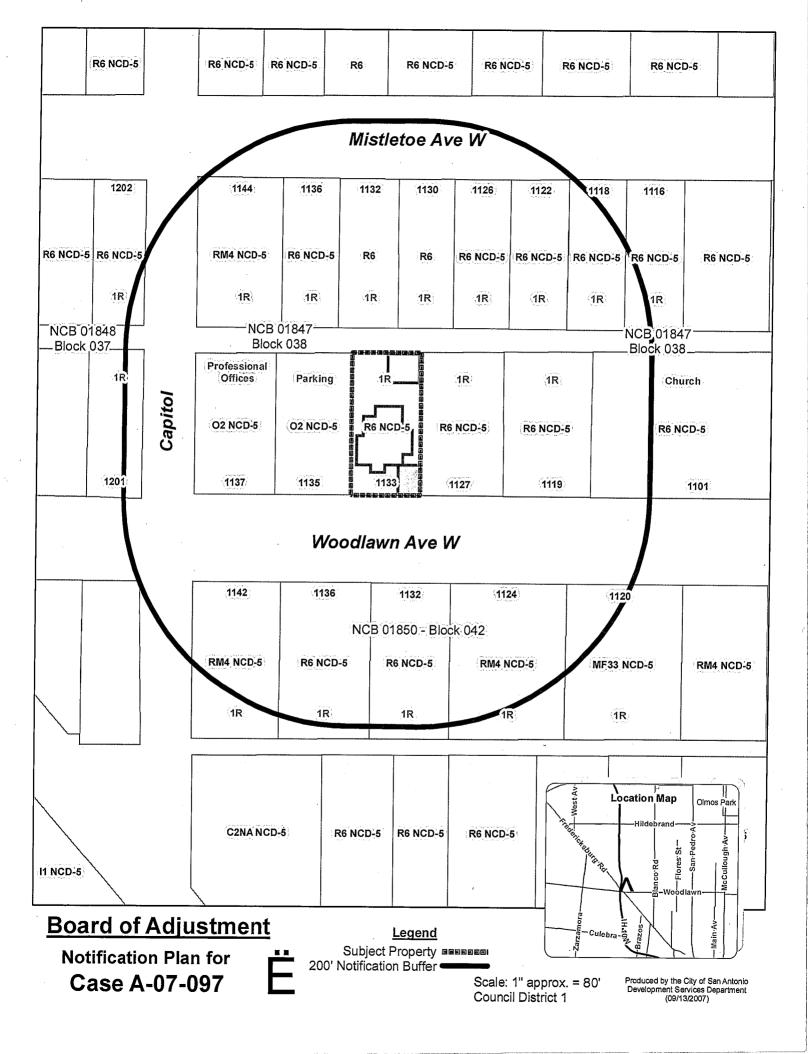


# **Board of Adjustment**

**Subject Property Locations Cases for November 19, 2007** 



Produced by the City of San Antonio Development Services Department (11/07/2007)



# Board of Adjustment - Case No. A-07-097PP November 19, 2007

The Board of Adjustment will hold a Public Hearing at 1:00 PM on Monday, November 19, 2007 in the Board Room on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Development & Business Services Center, 1901 South Alamo Street, to consider the following application:

Applicant – Herminia Pachecano

Lot 30, the east 12.5 feet of Lot 29, and the west 22.5 feet of Lot 31, Block 38, NCB 1847 1133 West Woodlawn Avenue

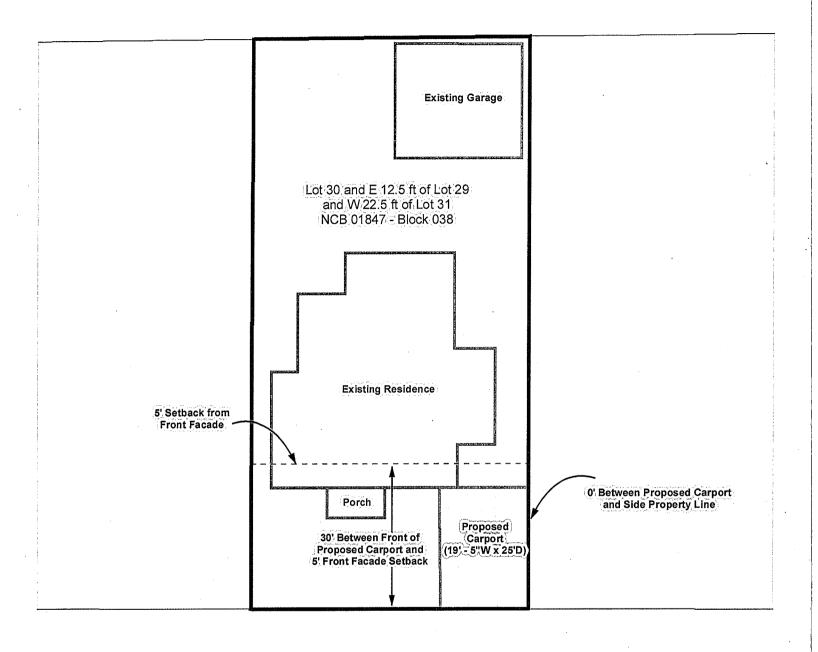
Zoned: "R-6 NCD-5" Residential Single-Family, Beacon Hill Neighborhood Conservation District

The applicant is requesting 1) a 30-foot variance from the Unified Development Code requirement that, within the Beacon Hill Neighborhood Conservation District, carports shall be located a minimum of 5 feet behind the primary residence's front façade, in order to keep an existing carport that extends 25 feet in front of the primary residence's front façade, and 2) a 5-foot variance from the requirement that a minimum 5-foot side setback be maintained in "R-6" Zoning districts, in order to keep the same carport on the side property line

The City of San Antonio, Texas desires that you as an interested property owner be advised as to the action being considered in reference to this application and invites you to attend this public hearing to express your opinion on this issue. To check on the status of this case, or for additional information, you may contact Case Manager <u>David Arciniega</u> at (210) 207-6944. If you plan to make a presentation and would like to utilize audio/video capabilities, the Development Services Department must receive all materials at least 24 hours prior to the public hearing.

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#### Woodlawn Ave W

### **Board of Adjustment**

Plot Plan for Case A-07-097



1133 Woodlawn Ave W

Scale: 1" approx. = 20' Council District 1

Produced by the City of San Antonio Development Services Department (11/15/2007)

# CASE NO: A-07-097PP

Board of Adjustment - November 19, 2007

Applicant:

Herminia Pachecano

Owner:

Herminia Pachecano

Request(s):

1) a 30-foot variance from the requirement that within the Beacon Hill Neighborhood Conservation District, carports shall be located a minimum of 5 feet behind the primary residence's front façade, in order to keep an existing carport that extends 25 feet in front of the primary residence's front façade, and 2) a complete variance from the requirement that a minimum 5foot side setback be maintained in "R-6" Zoning Districts, in order to keep

the same carport on the side property line

Legal Description: Lot 30, the east 12.5 feet of Lot 29 and the west 22.5 feet of Lot 31, Block

38, NCB 1847

Address:

1133 West Woodlawn Avenue

Zoning:

"R-6 NCD-5" Residential Single-Family, Beacon Hill Neighborhood

Conservation District

**Existing Use:** 

Single-Family Residence

Neigh. Assoc:

Beacon Hill Neighborhood Association

Neigh. Plan:

Midtown Neighborhood and Community Plan

Sections of the City Code from which these variances are requested

Section 35-335 "NCD" Neighborhood Conservation District: The Beacon Hill Neighborhood Conservation District requires that carports be located at least 5 feet behind the primary dwelling structure's front façade.

Section 35-310 Zoning District Purpose Statements and Design Regulations: A minimum 5-

foot side setback is required in "R-6" zoning districts.

Background: The subject property is occupied by a single-family residence and is situated on the north side of West Woodlawn Avenue, between IH 10 West and Blanco Road within an established single-family residential neighborhood. Residential zoning and uses lie to the north, south and east. An office zoning district abuts the subject property to the west. This property is located in the Beacon Hill Neighborhood Conservation District which specifically delineates design standards for carports. The applicant was in the process of removing the old carport and replacing it with a new carport, using the same footprint and columns. Rebuilding of this carport began without a building permit and the owner was issued a citation on August 21, 2007. An investigation was initiated as a result of a citizen complaint. On October 1, 2007, the applicant presented these variances to the Board of Adjustment for consideration; Adjustment postponed the case to provide time for the applicant to discuss the requested variances with the Neighborhood Association.

Recommendation: Within the Beacon Hill Neighborhood Conservation District, a detached carport may be constructed in the rear yard (or side yard, if a corner lot). It may also be constructed as an integral element of the primary structure, if it:

- a) is recessed a minimum of 5 feet behind the primary structure's front façade,
- b) is constructed of building materials with the same scale, proportion and/or profile, and
- c) maintains the same roof line(s) as the primary structure.

Temporary carport structures, constructed of a canvas or vinyl tent material with pole supports, are prohibited.

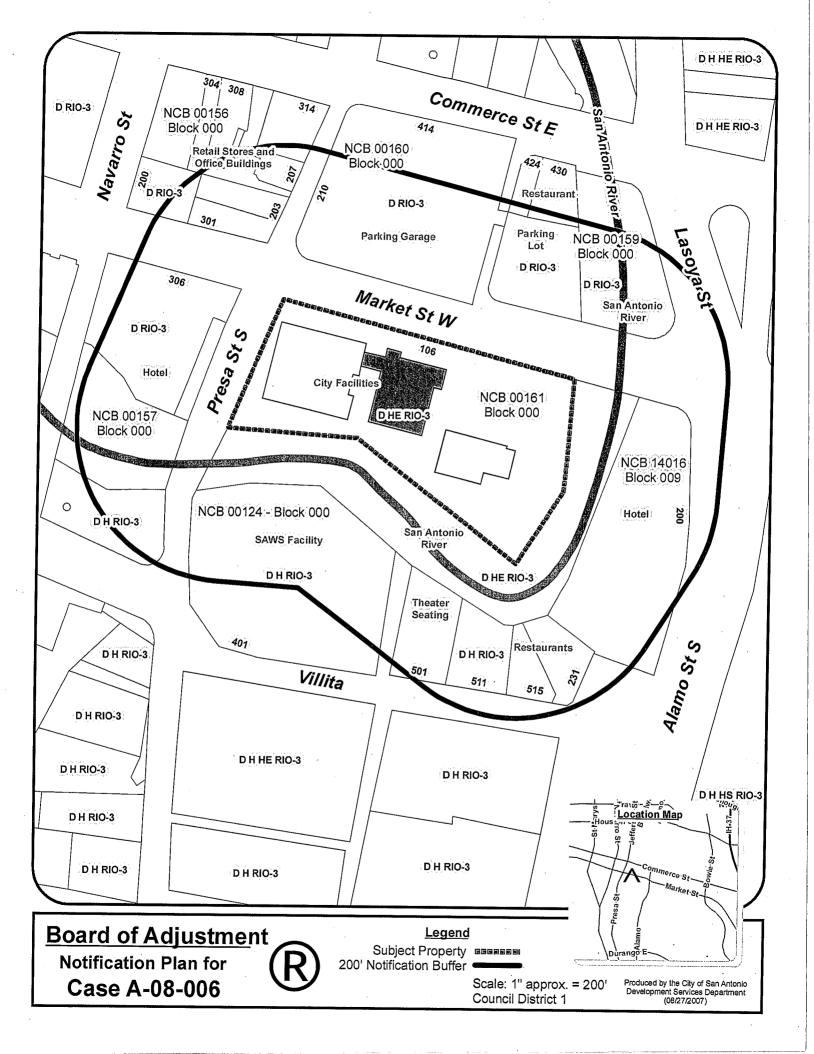
From pictures provided by the applicant and a site inspection, it appears that sufficient space may exist for the proposed carport to comply with Beacon Hill Neighborhood Conservation District standards. The designation of a Neighborhood Conservation District, as requested by the citizens of the neighborhood, provides residents with a tool to preserve and protect the unique character of their neighborhood. Granting permission to rebuild the carport as proposed would not uphold the spirit of this NCD program. Staff recommends denial of variance request number 1 above.

The intent of the side setback requirement is to allow for air flow, light penetration, neighborhood uniformity, and to prevent the overcrowding of lots to maintain a reasonable amount of open space desired in single-family residential neighborhoods. This lot does not appear to be characterized by any unique terrain features where literal enforcement of the side setback requirement would result in unnecessary hardship. Staff recommends **denial of variance request number 2**.

Case Manager: David Arcinega, Planner (210) 207-6944

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City of San Antonio



# Board of Adjustment - Case No. A-08-006 November 19, 2007

The Board of Adjustment will hold a Public Hearing at 1:00 PM on Monday, November 19, 2007 in the Board Room on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Development & Business Services Center, 1901 South Alamo Street, to consider the following application:

Applicant – City of San Antonio Lots 8, 9, 10 and the south part of Lots 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15, NCB 161 106 West Market Street Zoned: "D HE RIO-3" Downtown Historic Exceptional River Improvement Overlay

District 3

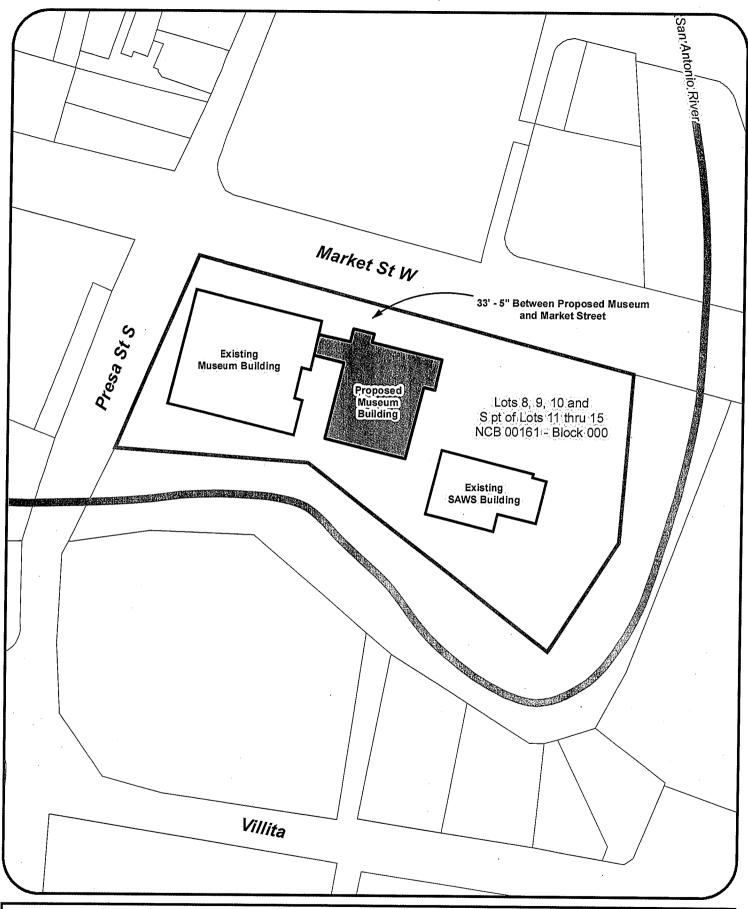
The applicant is requesting a 13-foot, 5-inch variance from the Unified Development Code requirement that a maximum 20-foot front setback be maintained in "D" zoning districts in order to build a structure 33 feet, 5 inches from the front property line

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## **Board of Adjustment**

Plot Plan for Case A-08-006



Scale: 1" approx. = 80' Council District 1

#### 106 Market St W

Produced by the City of San Antonio Development Services Department (11/07/2007)

## CASE NO: A-08-006

#### Board of Adjustment - November 19, 2007

Applicant:

City of San Antonio

Owner:

City of San Antonio

Request(s):

A 13-foot, 5-inch variance from the maximum 20-foot front setback required in

the "D" Downtown zoning district, in order to build a structure 33 feet, 5-

inches from the front property line

Legal Description:

Lots 8, 9, 10 and the south part of Lots 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15, NCB 161

Address:

106 West Market Street

Zoning:

"D HE RIO-3" Downtown Historic Exceptional, River Improvement Overlay

District 3

**Existing Use:** 

Museum

Neigh. Assoc:

Downtown Neighborhood Association

Neigh. Plan:

Downtown Neighborhood Plan

Section of the City Code from which the variance is requested:

Section 35-310 Zoning District Purpose Statements and Design Regulations: A maximum 20-foot front setback is required in "D" zoning districts.

**Background:** The subject property is situated on the southwest corner of West Market and South Presa Streets on the north side of the San Antonio River. The Briscoe Western Art Museum (formerly the original City of San Antonio Public Library and later the home of the Hertzberg Circus Collection) occupies the site. The existing structure was built in 1930 and exceeds the currently required 20-foot maximum front setback. The applicant is requesting a variance in order to construct a 14,000 square-foot structure addition that, as proposed, would be in-line with the existing building, thus exceeding the maximum front setback requirement. The applicant is in the process of requesting approval from the Historic and Design Review Commission.

Recommendation: The intent of the 20-foot maximum front setback requirement in "D" Districts is to create safer, pedestrian-oriented streetscapes by locating buildings close to the street and minimizing parking within the front yard. It encourages building form consistent with traditional downtown development. As the San Antonio River meanders through Downtown, it creates uniquely shaped parcels of buildable land. Development on these parcels over time has not always been in the traditional downtown style, specifically with respect to buildings built on the front property lines. It appears the requested variance would meet the intent of the UDC in that the request would allow the proposed structure to conform to the setbacks of the existing structure on the lot which is 33 feet, 5 inches from the front property line. The proposed addition would appear to have minimal impact on the surrounding commercial properties due to the configuration of the subject tract on the banks of the San Antonio River, and the proposed size and scale, which are consistent with the immediate surrounding area. Staff recommends approval of the variance request.

Case Manager: David Arciniega, Planner (210) 207-6944



# Board of Adjustment - Case No. A-08-007 November 19, 2007

The Board of Adjustment will hold a Public Hearing at 1:00 PM on Monday, November 19, 2007 in the Board Room on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Development & Business Services Center, 1901 South Alamo Street, to consider the following application:

Applicant – Joaquin Garcia Lot 3, Block 26, NCB 16039 5538 Red Sky Drive Zoned: "R-6" Residential Single-Family District

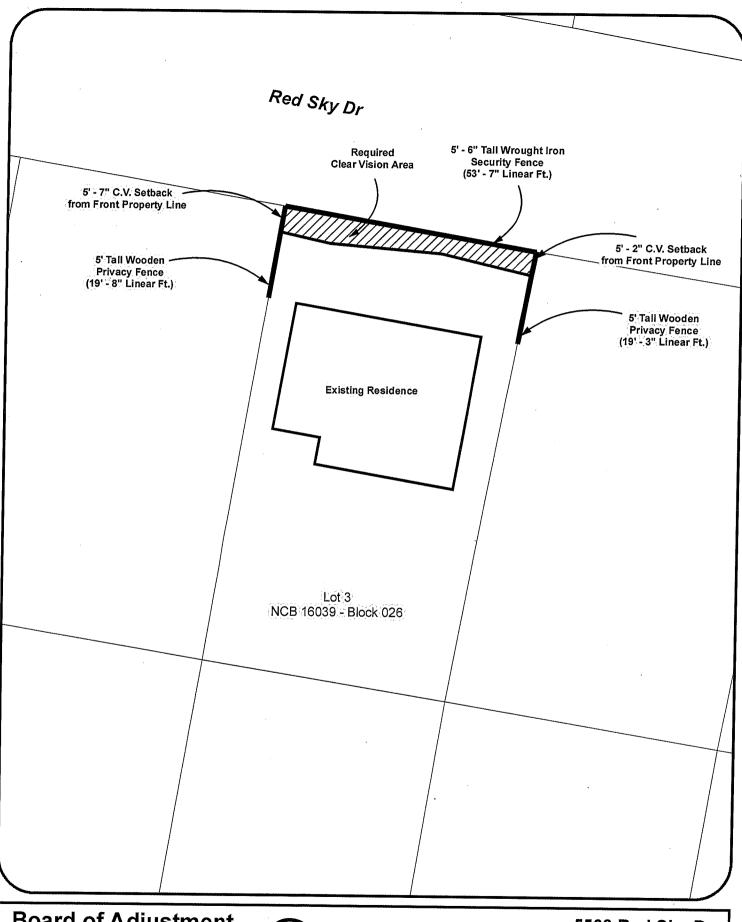
The applicant is requesting 1) a 2-foot variance from the Unified Development Code requirement that solid screen fences in front yards be no taller than 3 feet in order to keep a 5-foot tall solid screen fence in the front yard, 2) a 1-foot, 6-inch variance from the Unified Development Code requirement that predominantly open fences in front yards be no taller than 4 feet in order to keep a 5-foot, 6-inch tall predominantly open fence in the front yard, 3) a 2-foot variance from the requirement that clear vision areas be free of visual obstructions which are higher than three feet above the pavement, in order to allow a 5-foot tall solid screen fence to encroach into the clear vision area of abutting driveways in the front yard, and 4) a 2-foot, 6-inch variance from the requirement that clear vision areas be free of visual obstructions which are higher than three feet above the pavement, in order to allow a 5-foot, 6-inch tall predominantly open fence to encroach into the clear vision area of abutting driveways in the front yard

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## Board of Adjustment

Plot Plan for Case A-08-007



Scale: 1" approx. = 20' Council District 4 5538 Red Sky Dr

Produced by the City of San Antonio Development Services Department (11/13/2007)

## **CASE NO: A-08-007**

Board of Adjustment - November 19, 2007

Applicant:

Joaquin Garcia

Owner:

Joaquin Garcia

Request(s):

1) A 1-foot, 6-inch variance from the requirement that predominantly open fences in front yards be no taller than 4 feet, in order to keep an existing 5-foot, 6-inch tall predominantly open fence in the front yard,

2) A 2-foot variance from the requirement that solid screen fences in front yards be no taller than 3 feet, in order to keep an existing 5-foot tall solid screen

fence in the front yard,

3) A 2-foot variance from the requirement that clear vision areas be free of visual obstructions which are higher than three feet above the pavement, in order to allow a 5-foot tall solid screen fence to encroach into the clear vision area of abutting driveways in the front yard, and

**4)** A 2-foot, 6-inch variance from the requirement that clear vision areas be free of visual obstructions which are higher than three feet above the pavement, in order to allow a 5-foot, 6-inch tall predominantly open fence to encroach into

the clear vision area of abutting driveways in the front yard

Legal Description:

Lot 3, Block 26, NCB 16039

Address:

5538 Red Sky Drive

Zoning:

"R-6" Residential Single-Family District

**Existing Use:** 

Single-Family Residence

Neigh. Assoc:

Hidden Cove-Indian Creek/Southwest Neighborhood Association

Neigh. Plan:

United Southwest Community Plan

Sections of the City Code from which these variances are requested:

**35-514 Fences and Walls:** No fence or wall, other than the wall of a permitted structure, shall be erected or altered in any front yard to exceed a height of 4 feet with the fence or wall to be so constructed that vision will not be obscured above a height of 3 feet, and

**35-506 Cross Section and Construction Standards:** Clear vision areas must be free of visual obstructions which are higher than 3 feet and lower than 8 feet above the pavement.

**Background:** The subject property is located in an established single-family residential subdivision that is located inside Loop 410 on the City's southwest side. The subject lot is situated on the south side of Red Sky Drive, between Old Pearsall and Quintana Roads and south of Five Palms Drive. Single-family residences surround the subject property on all sides. The applicant was issued a citation on October 5, 2007 for having a fence in the front yard that was constructed without required building permits and that exceeds the maximum allowed fence height. The investigation was initiated as a result of a citizen complaint. Further investigation revealed a portion of the fence encroaches into the clear vision area.

**Recommendation:** The intent of the maximum fence height requirement in front yards is to allow property owners to screen and secure their property while also maintaining openness, air flow, light penetration, neighborhood uniformity and safe visual clearance. The fence height in front yards is

limited also because the presence can detract from the streetscape and pedestrian friendliness of a neighborhood. Staff recommends **denial** of the front yard fence height variance requests (variance numbers **1 and 2**).

The intent of the clear vision area requirement is to allow for motorist and pedestrian safety at corners, curves and intersections of streets and <u>driveways</u>. This safety requirement is of paramount concern, and finding no apparent physical conditions on the site that might warrant variances from the clear vision area requirement, Staff recommends **denial** of the clear vision area variance requests (variance numbers **3 and 4**).

Case Manager: David Arciniega, Planner (210) 207-6944

#### City of San Antonio **GENINVEST Case** P.O. Box 839966 San Antonio, TX 78283-3966 Page 1 Submitted By 11/15/2007 08:18 AM Report Date 66398 Case # Case Information Associated Information Stages PERMIT WORKING W/O PERMIT Case Group Date / Time Βv Auto Reviews P2 MED PRIORITY Priority JP00190 Processed 10/04/2007 13:11 **Resolution Code** Resolved CITIZEN DIRECT CALL Source CALL **Expires** Name Applications Affected ☐ Case License Application Use Application Project Application ■ Building Application **Description of Case** BUILT FENCE WITHOUT A PERMIT AND POSIBBLE HEIGHT VIOLATION. ///10-05-07, LIGUEZ.D#113-LEFT NOTICE TO OBTAIN PERMITS/FENCE HEIGHT VIOLATION\*\*\*DOUBLE FEE PERMIT\*\*\* ////10-12-07 LIGUEZ, D.#113 - NO ONE HOME, LEFT 2ND NOTICE. ----10/22/07 LIGUEZ, D - NO PERMITS ON FILE; REMAINS IN VIOL. APPL. APPLIED FOR FENCE VARIANCE ON 10-10-07. MEETING DATE IS 11-19-07. Phase # Project/Phase Name Project# Size Description Size/Area Customer Service Service # Problem Resolution Code Resolved Date No Customer Service Log Entries Property/Site Information 5538 RED SKY DR Address SAN ANTONIO TX 78242-0000 Location Owner/Tenant There are no contacts for this site Linked Addresses No Addresses are linked to this Application A/P Linked Addresses No Addresses are linked to this Application Linked Parcels 305732 A/P Linked Parcels No Parcels are linked to this Application

Item Status

Applicants/Contacts

No Contractors

Item Description

Contractors

No Applicant Contacts



# Board of Adjustment - Case No. A-08-008 November 19, 2007

The Board of Adjustment will hold a Public Hearing at 1:00 PM on Monday, November 19, 2007 in the Board Room on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Development & Business Services Center, 1901 South Alamo Street, to consider the following application:

Applicant – Elva Arteaga Lot 16, Block 14, NCB 1814 519 West Huisache Avenue

Zoned: "R-6 NCD-2" Residential Single-Family Alta Vista Neighborhood Conservation District

The applicant is requesting a 2:12 minimum roof pitch variance from the Unified Development Code requirement that, within the Alta Vista Neighborhood Conservation District, a roof with a five inch rise for every horizontal foot be required (5:12 minimum), in order to keep a roof pitch at 3:12 minimum to 4:12 minimum for every horizontal foot.

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# Alley Lot 16 NCB 01814 - Block 014 Existing Residence Portion of Roof with 4:12 Pitch Portion of Roof with 3:12 Pitch Huisache St W

Board of Adjustment
Plot Plan for
Case A-08-008



Scale: 1" approx. = 20' Council District 4 519 Huisache St W

Produced by the City of San Antonio Development Services Department (11/07/2007)

## **CASE NO: A-08-008**

Board of Adjustment – November 19, 2007

Applicant:

Elva Arteaga

Owner:

Elva Arteaga

Request(s):

A 2:12 minimum roof pitch variance from the requirement that, within the Alta Vista Neighborhood Conservation District, a roof with a five inch rise for every horizontal foot be required (5:12 min), in order to keep a roof pitch at 3:12

minimum to 4:12 minimum for every horizontal foot

Legal Description:

Lot 16, Block 14, NCB 1814

Address:

519 West Huisache Avenue

Zoning:

"R-6 NCD-2" Residential Single-Family, Alta Vista Neighborhood Conservation

District

**Existing Use:** 

Single-family residence

Neigh. Assoc:

Alta Vista Neighborhood Association

Neigh. Plan:

Midtown Neighborhood Plan

Section of the City Code from which this variance is requested 35-335 "NCD" Neighborhood Conservation District: The Alta Vista Neighborhood Conservation District requires roofs maintain a five inch rise for every horizontal foot (5:12 minimum).

Background: The subject property is located in an established residential single-family neighborhood and is situated on the north side of West Huisache Avenue, east of North Flores Street and west of Breeden Avenue. Single-family residences surround the subject property. The Alta Vista Neighborhood requested and was accepted into the NCD program during the summer/fall of 2001. In 2003, the ordinance establishing the Alta Vista NCD was recommended for approval by the Zoning Commission and adopted by City Council (Ordinance #97590). All property owners within the Alta Vista NCD boundary were individually notified of all public meetings that were held to develop the NCD plan and to determine design standards.

The applicant is proposing to keep an existing roof over a portion of a non-conforming structure with a pitch at 3:12 to 4:12 over the course of the roof structures. This roof was built without a building permit and the applicant was issued a citation on March 9, 2004. The investigation was initiated as the result of a citizen complaint. On June 7, 2004, the applicant presented this same variance, in addition to two other variance requests, to the Board of Adjustment for consideration: Case Number A-04-053. The Board of Adjustment denied the applicant's requests. After denial by the Board, The Planning and Community Development Department Staff met numerous times with the applicant with alternate design solutions and allowed the applicant adequate time to correct the violations. Upon discovery of the continued existence of the violations, the Planning and Community Development Department requested a *Stop Work Order* be placed on the project.

On September 17, 2007 the applicant presented a separate variance request to the Board of Adjustment for consideration (Case Number A-07-087) which the Board denied. Additionally, the applicant may request one more variance at a later date.

Recommendation: The designation of a Neighborhood Conservation District, as requested by the citizens of the neighborhood, provides residents with a tool to preserve and protect the

unique character of their neighborhood. While there are varying roof pitches throughout the district, the existing condition on the subject property is not in keeping with the original character of the neighborhood. The intent of the NCD design standard was to restore steeper roof pitches that were common to many of the architectural styles that existed in the neighborhood when it was originally developed. During development of the ordinance, the community recognized the current neighborhood conditions and made a concerted effort to acknowledge existing non-conforming buildings by allowing pre-existing, non-conforming conditions to remain, even if replaced or repaired, but also encouraging the restoration of original design features in the neighborhood, including the requirment that new roofs should conform to the minimum pitch stated in the NCD design standards. To date, the applicant has not taken any action to correct violations related to the NCD and UDC that have been heard by this board. Staff recommends **denial** of this variance request.

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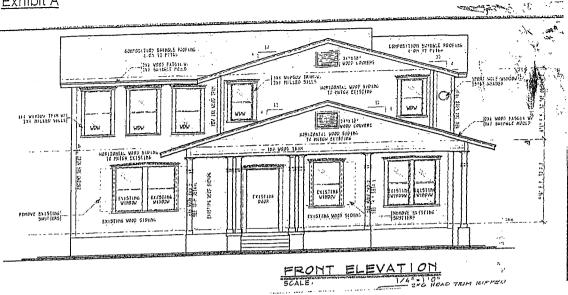


Fig. 1 - Clip of architect's construction documents submitted to the Planning and Community Development Department after initial citation and issuance of stop work order

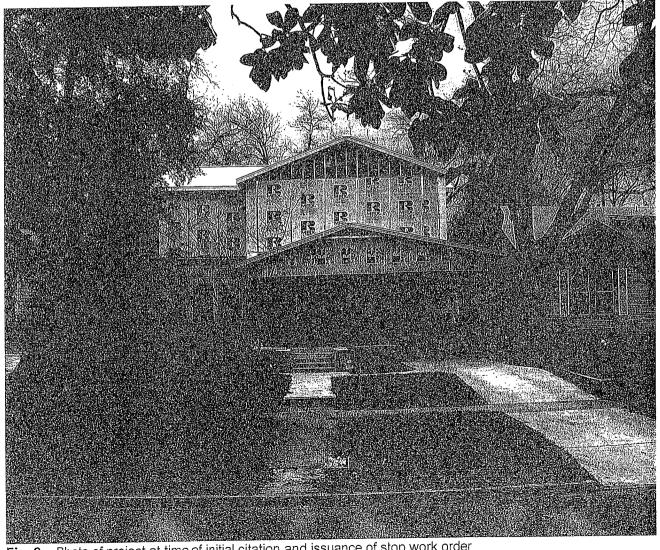
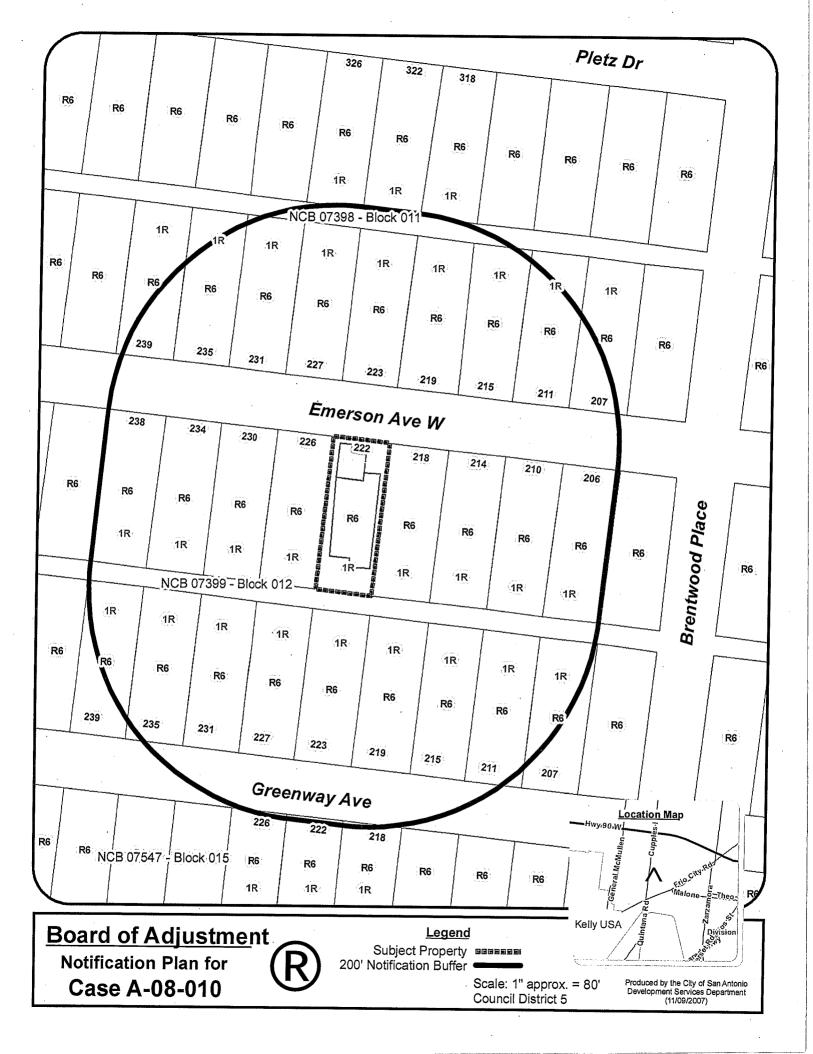


Fig. 2 - Photo of project at time of initial citation and issuance of stop work order



# Board of Adjustment - Case No. A-08-010 November 19, 2007

The Board of Adjustment will hold a Public Hearing at 1:00 PM on Monday, November 19, 2007 in the Board Room on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Development & Business Services Center, 1901 South Alamo Street, to consider the following application:

Applicant – Ray C. And Joann Almaguer Lot 10, Block 12, NCB 7399 222 West Emerson Avenue Zoned: "R-6" Residential Single-Family District

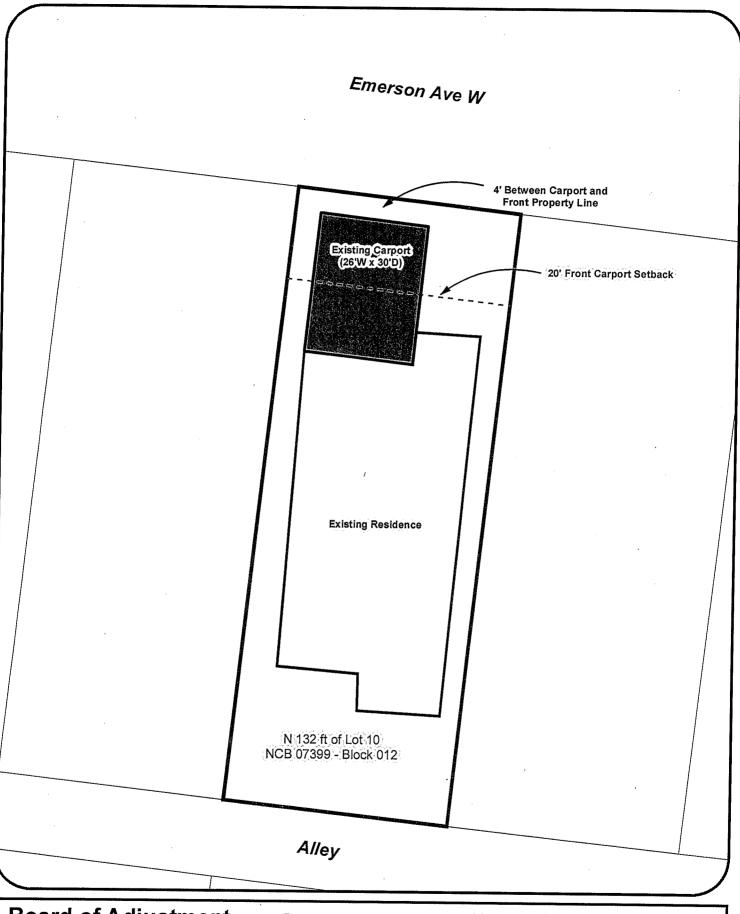
The applicant is requesting an 16-foot variance from the Unified Development Code requirement that a minimum 20-foot front setback be maintained for front entry carports, in order to keep an existing carport 4 feet from the front property line

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Board of Adjustment
Plot Plan for
Case A-08-010



Scale: 1" approx. = 20' Council District 5 222 Emerson Ave W

Produced by the City of San Antonio Development Services Department (11/07/2007)

## **CASE NO: A-08-010**

Board of Adjustment – November 19, 2007

Applicant:

Ray C. And Joann Almaguer

Owner:

Ray C. And Joann Almaguer

Request(s):

A 16-foot variance from the Unified Development Code requirement that a minimum 20-foot front setback be maintained for front entry carports, in order to keep an existing carport 4 feet from the front

property line.

Legal Description: Lot 10, Block 12, NCB 7399

Address:

222 West Emerson Avenue

Zoning:

"R-6" Residential Single-Family District

**Existing Use:** 

Single-family residence

Neigh. Assoc:

Thompson Community Neighborhood Association

Neigh. Plan:

Kelly/South San PUEBLO Plan

Sections of the City Code from which the variance is requested:

Section 35-516 Carport and Garage Setbacks: A 20-foot front setback is required between the back of the sidewalk or the property line and a front entry garage or carport.

**Background:** The subject property is located in an established single-family residential neighborhood on the City's west side, south US Highway 90 Wes, east of Cupples Road. The subject property lies on the south side of West Emerson Avenue and is occupied by a single-family residence. Single-family residences surround the subject property on all sides. The purpose of the requested variance is to keep an existing carport that encroaches into the front setback. The applicant built this carport without the required building permit. The applicant was issued a citation on October 2, 2007. The investigation was initiated as a result of a citizen complaint.

**Recommendation:** The intent of the front setback requirement for carports and garages is to maintain 20 feet of space to allow for additional off-street parking so that vehicles do not encroach into the sidewalk, right-of-way or on to the street. This lot does not appear to be characterized by any unique terrain features where literal enforcement of the front setback requirement would result in unnecessary hardship. Staff recommends **denial** of the requested variance.

Case Manager: David Arciniega, Planner (210) 207-6944

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# Board of Adjustment - Case No. A-08-011 November 19, 2007

The Board of Adjustment will hold a Public Hearing at 1:00 PM on Monday, November 19, 2007 in the Board Room on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Development & Business Services Center, 1901 South Alamo Street, to consider the following application:

Applicant – Mark and Marie Cooper Lot 16, Block 22, NCB 1944 1940 West Summit Avenue Zoned: "R-6" Residential Single-Family District

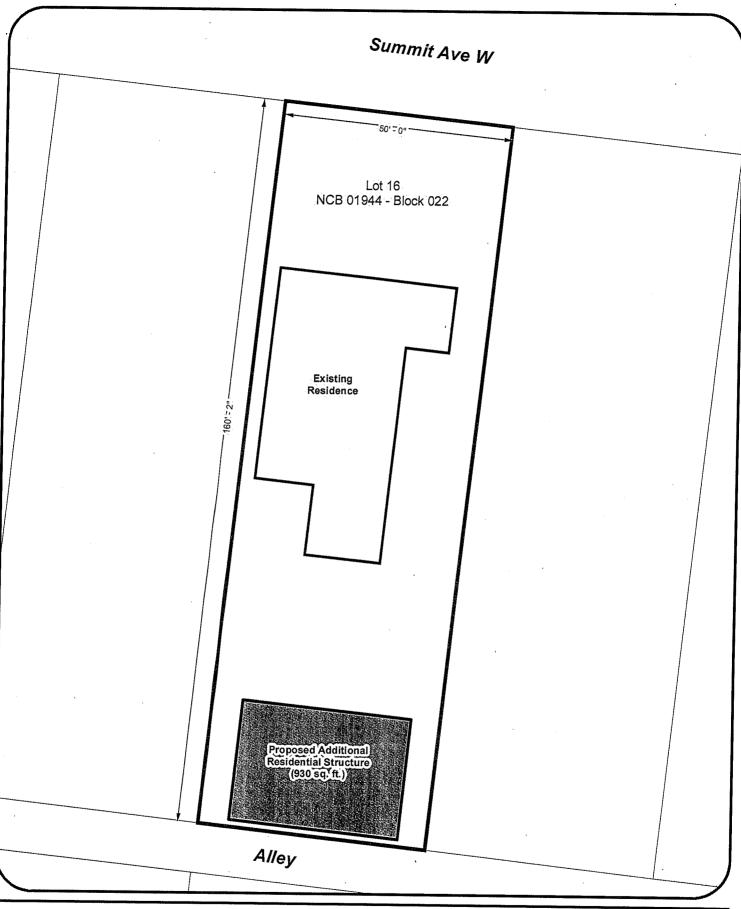
The applicant requests 1) a 130 square-foot variance from the Unified Development Code requirement that a maximum 800 square-foot area allowed for accessory detached dwelling units, in order to build a 930 square-foot accessory detached dwelling unit, and 2) a 23% building footprint variance from the Unified Development Code requirement that a maximum allowed [40% of the building footprint of the principal residence], in order to build an accessory detached dwelling unit with a building footprint that would be 63% of the building footprint of the principal residence.

The City of San Antonio, Texas desires that you as an interested property owner be advised as to the action being considered in reference to this application and invites you to attend this public hearing to express your opinion on this issue. You may contact Case Manager <u>David Arciniega</u> at <u>207-6944</u> regarding the status of this case. If you plan to make a presentation and would like to utilize audio/video capabilities, the Development Services Department must receive all materials at least 24 hours prior to the public hearing.

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Board of Adjustment
Plot Plan for
Case A-08-011



Scale: 1" approx. = 20' Council District 7 1940 Summit Ave W

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# **CASE NO: A-08-011**

Board of Adjustment – November 19, 2007

Applicant:

Mark and Marie Cooper

Owner:

Mark and Marie Cooper

Request(s):

1) a 130 square-foot variance from the requirement that accessory detached dwelling units be no larger than 800 square feet, in order to build a 930 square-

foot accessory detached dwelling unit, and

2) a 23% building footprint variance from the requirement that the building footprint of an accessory detached dwelling unit be no larger than 40% of the principal building footprint, in order to build an accessory detached dwelling unit with a building footprint that would be 63% of the building footprint of the

principal residence.

Legal Description:

Lot 16, Block 22, NCB 1944

Address:

1940 West Summit Avenue

Zoning:

"R-6" Residential Single-Family District

Existing Use:

Single-family residence

Neigh. Assoc:

Jefferson/Woodlawn Lake Neighborhood Association

Neigh. Plan:

Near Northwest Community Plan

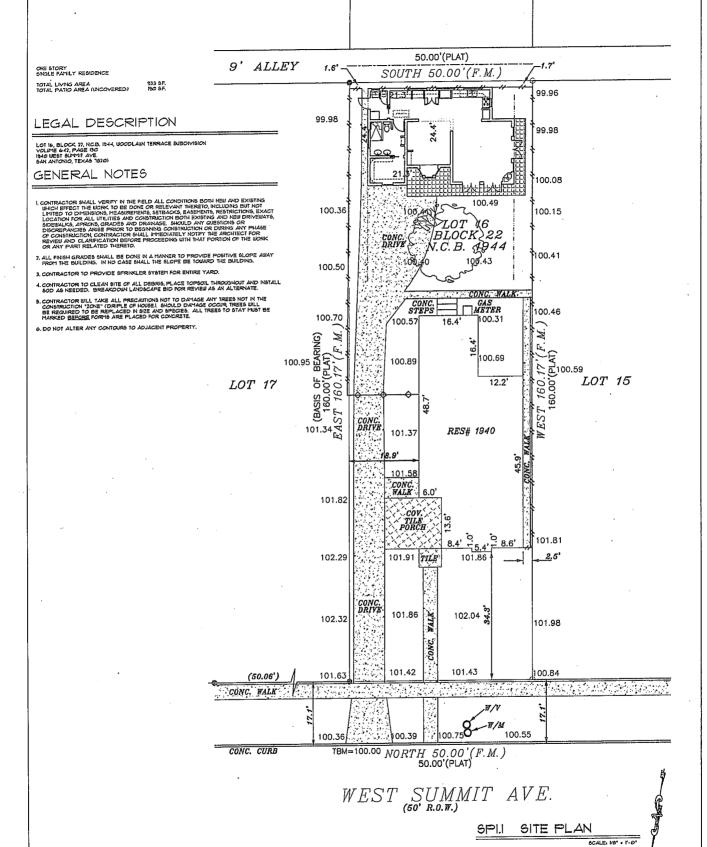
Section of the City Code from which these variances are requested

35-371 Accessory Dwellings: The building footprint for an accessory detached dwelling unit shall not exceed 40% of the building footprint of the principal residence, and the total floor area of an accessory detached dwelling unit shall not exceed 800 square feet or be less than 300 square feet.

Background: The subject property is located in a residential single-family neighborhood and is occupied by a single-family residence. The subject property lies on the south side of West Summit Avenue, west of IH 10 west, north of West Woodlawn Avenue. A 9-foot wide alley abuts the subject property to the south. Residential zoning and uses surround the subject property. The applicant is proposing to build a 930 square-foot accessory detached dwelling unit in the rear of the subject property.

Recommendation: The intent of the limits on accessory detached dwelling unit square-footage and building footprint size is to prevent overcrowding of residential lots and to achieve the open space desired in residential neighborhoods. Considering the size of the lot (8000 square feet), and the size of the proposed accessory detached dwelling unit, it appears the 930 square-foot accessory detached dwelling unit would not observe the intent of the ordinance. Furthermore, the size and scale of the proposed accessory detached dwelling unit is not consistent with the surrounding neighborhood. This lot does not appear to be characterized by any unique terrain features where literal enforcement of the total floor area or the building footprint requirements for accessory detached dwelling units would result in unnecessary hardship. Staff recommends denial of the requested variances.

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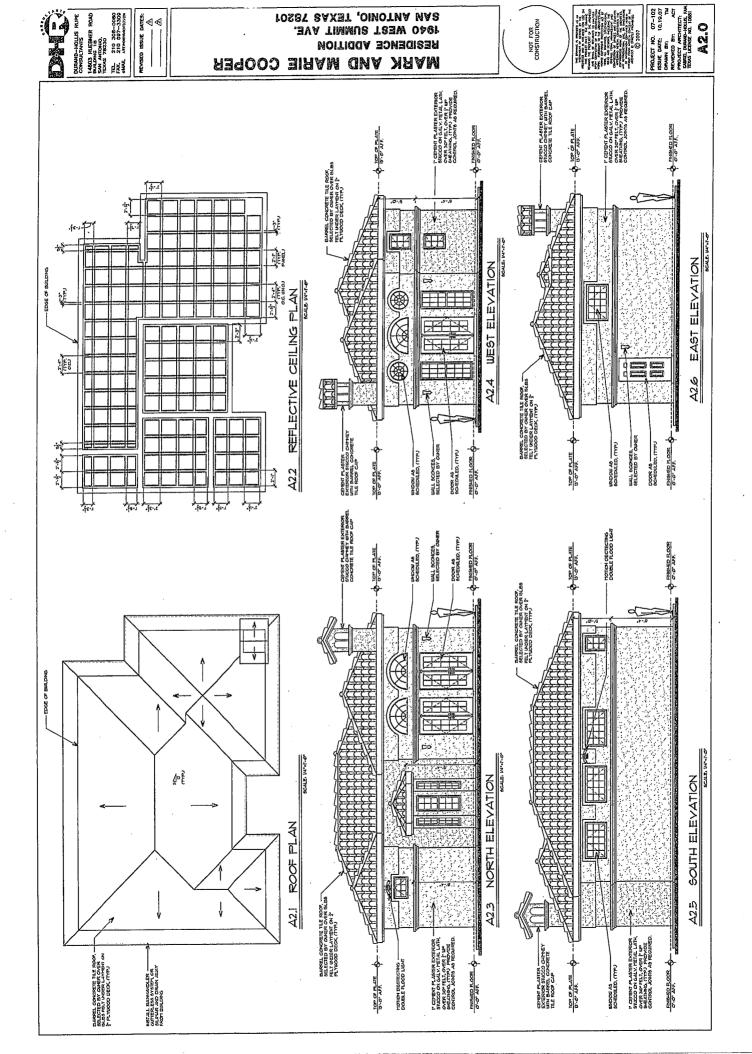


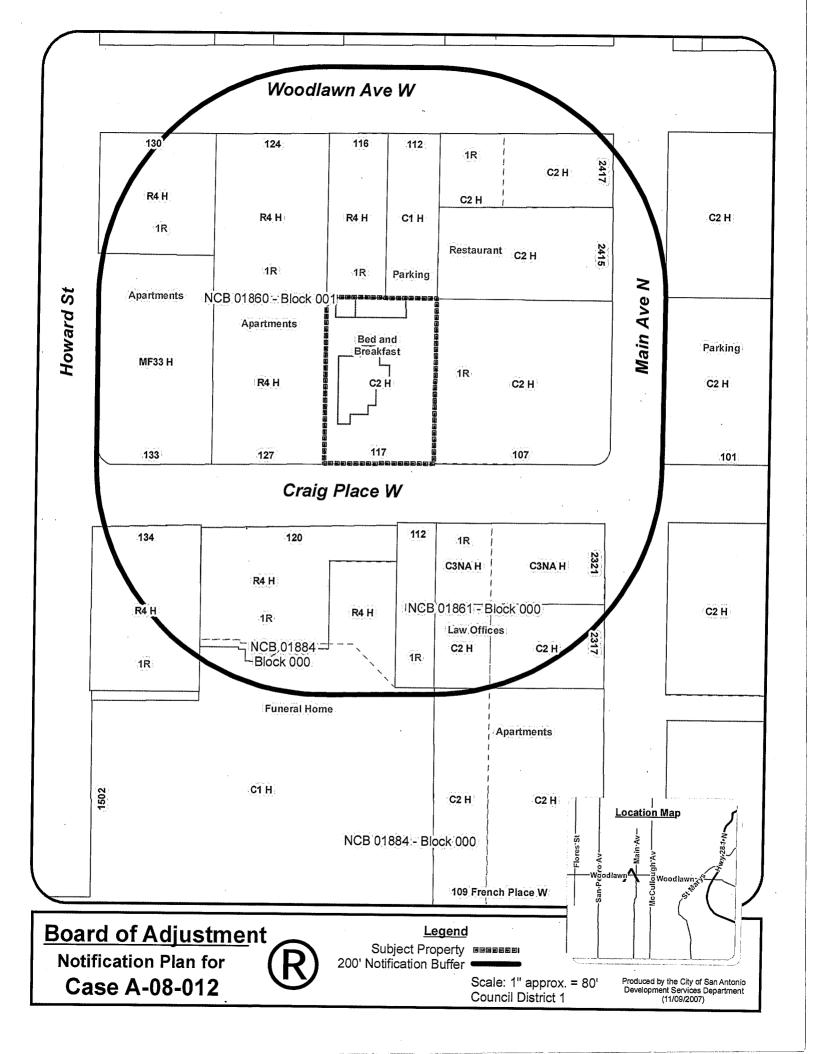


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MARK AND MARIE COOPER RESIDENCE ADDITION 1940 WEST SUMMIT AVE. SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78201







# Board of Adjustment - Case No. A-08-012 November 19, 2007

The Board of Adjustment will hold a Public Hearing at 1:00 PM on Monday, November 19, 2007 in the Board Room on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Development & Business Services Center, 1901 South Alamo Street, to consider the following application:

Applicant – Gregory Alba Lot 19, Block 1, NCB 1860 117 West Craig Place Zoned: "C-2 H" Historic Commercial District

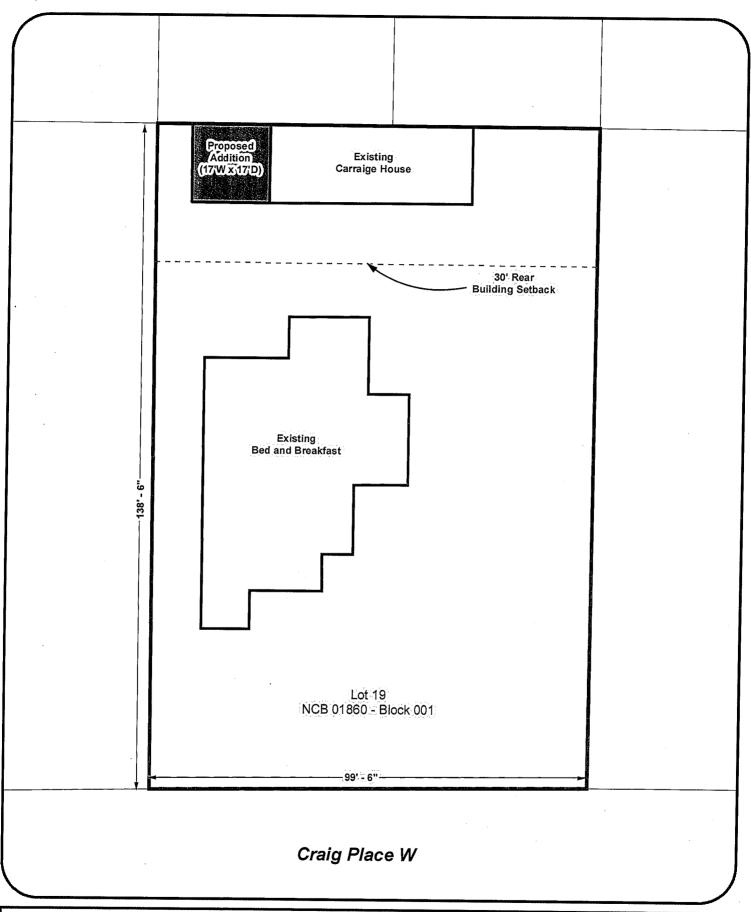
The applicant is requesting a complete variance from the Unified Development Code requirement that a minimum 30-foot rear setback be maintained in "C-2" zoning districts in order to build a structure on the rear property line.

The City of San Antonio, Texas desires that you as an interested property owner be advised as to the action being considered in reference to this application and invites you to attend this public hearing to express your opinion on this issue. You may contact Case Manager <u>David Arciniega</u> at <u>207-6944</u> regarding the status of this case. If you plan to make a presentation and would like to utilize audio/video capabilities, the Development Services Department must receive all materials at least 24 hours prior to the public hearing.

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Board of Adjustment
Plot Plan for
Case A-08-012



Scale: 1" approx. = 20' Council District 1 117 Craig Place W

Produced by the City of San Antonio Development Services Department (11/09/2007)

# **CASE NO: A-08-012**

Board of Adjustment - November 19, 2007

Applicant:

Gregory Alba

Owner:

Gregory Alba

Request(s):

A complete variance from the minimum 30-foot rear setback required in "C-2" zoning districts when abutting residential uses or residential zoning districts, in order to build a structure on the rear (north) property line

Legal Description:

Lot 19, Block 1, NCB 1860

Address:

117 West Craig Place

Zoning:

"C-2 H" Historic Commercial District

**Existing Use:** 

Bed & breakfast with detached carriage house

Neigh. Assoc:

Monte Vista Neighborhood Association

Neigh. Plan:

Monte Vista Neighborhood Plan

Section of the City Code from which this variance is requested 35-310 Zoning District Purpose Statements and Design Regulations: A minimum 30-foot rear setback is required in "C-2" zoning districts when abutting residential uses or residential zoning districts.

**Background:** The subject property is situated on the north side of West Craig Place, between McCullough and San Pedro Avenues. The block within which this lot is situated is characterized by a mixture of multi-family, single-family and commercial zoning classifications and uses. A single-family residence occupies property abutting to the northwest, and a restaurant parking lot abuts the subject property to the northeast. The structures on the subject tract include a 2-story bed-and-breakfast that was built as a residence in 1891, and a 1,353 square foot detached carriage house.

The detached carriage house was historically used to house horse carriages, horses and for storage. The carriage house has subsequently been downsized and converted into 905 square feet of living quarters. Today, the subject property is zoned commercial and the main structure was converted from a residence into a bed-and-breakfast. The owner and his family live in the carriage house. The carriage house, and a 5-foot tall stone wall, were built on the rear property line. The applicant is proposing to build a 578 square-foot addition in-line with the existing carriage house. The applicant is in the process of requesting approval from the Historic and Design Review Commission.

**Recommendation:** The intent of the rear setback requirement for commercial zoning districts when abutting residential uses is to provide a reasonable buffer to protect abutting residences from the noise, light, and traffic typically generated by commercial uses, to allow for air flow and light penetration, and to prevent the overcrowding of lots. The subject lot, while zoned commercial and occupied by a bed-and-breakfast, still retains residential character as well as residential activity. The carriage house which houses the residential use, was built many years before San Antonio

had zoning or setback requirements. It lies not only on the rear property line but completely within the 30-foot rear yard/setback. To meet the applicable rear setback requirements, an addition to this building could not be built at all. The historical development of the subject property offers a unique situation/condition which appears to be consistent with most of the other residential lots within this block. Staff recommends **approval** of the requested variance.

Case Manager:

David Arciniega, Planner (210) 207-6944

